Please find below, Utah State Parks and Recreation news for January 27:

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## UPCOMING UTAH STATE PARKS EVENTS

February 2 Utah Field House of Natural History State Park Museum - Vernal Behind the Scenes Tour- Join the museum curator to learn how museum objects are stored and cared for and see some of the special treasures in their collection. The tour starts at 7 p.m. and registration is required. (435) 789-3799

February 6 Camp Floyd/Stagecoach Inn State Park and Museum - Fairfield Ladies of Camp Floyd Day Camp- Take a step back in time and learn about the life of women at Camp Floyd. Participants wear period dresses, meet costumed interpreters, play 19th century games, learn etiquette of the period, construct a rag doll, and learn a period dance. The camp is designed for girls age eight to 11 and they must be accompanied by an adult. The camp completes the requirements for the Girl Scouts Folk Arts Badge. (801) 768-8932

February 6 Wasatch Mountain State Park - Midway Stories in the Snow - Animal Tracking: Join park staff from 10 a.m. to noon to learn about animal tracks and read the stories wildlife leave in the snow. Many animals stay active all winter long and learning to recognize their tracks can help make any winter outing more enjoyable. Meet at the visitor center and bring your own snowshoes or rent some from the park. (435) 654-1791

February 6 Rock Cliff Nature Center/ Jordanelle State Park - Francis Animal Adaptations: Join the park naturalist from 10 a.m. to noon to learn about the animals that live in the park. Learn how to identify animal tracks, and snowshoe through the park practicing the art of animal tracking. Bring snowshoes or borrow a pair from the park. Pre-registration is required. Day-use fee is \$7 per vehicle with up to eight people or free to Utah State Parks Pass holders. (435) 782-3030

February 6 Antelope Island State Park - Syracuse Guided Winter Hike- Join the park naturalist at 1 p.m. for a guided winter hike around the Lakeside Trail for some spectacular snowy views of the island. The hike is an easy three miles round-trip. The trail may be snowy, so dress for the weather. Meet at Bridger Bay Campground trailhead. (801) 773-2941

February 11 Utah Field House of Natural History State Park Museum - Vernal Small Mammal Fossils- Join Dr. Paul Murphey at 7 p.m. for a discussion on small mammal fossils. (435) 789-3799

February 12 Snow Canyon State Park - Ivins Geologic History of Snow Canyon- Join Marc Deshowitz, retired geologist for Shell Oil Co., as he discusses forces that formed the canyon and enable us to see the exposed Kayenta and Navajo chapters of earth history. The program begins at 7 p.m. Space is limited and registration is required. (435) 628-2255

February 13 Camp Floyd/Stagecoach Inn State Park and Museum - Fairfield Valentine's Ball- Take a step back in time to the 19th century with a social gathering held in the historic Fairfield Schoolhouse. Enjoy an evening of dance and socializing. (801) 768-8932

February 13 Wasatch Mountain State Park - Midway Basic Snow Cave Class- Join park staff at 9 a.m. to learn the basics of building a snow cave. Knowing how to build a snow cave is not only fun, but can also be vital in any winter survival situation. Come dressed in layers with a waterproof outer layer. Meet at the Educational Yurt. (435) 654-1791

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